

## 202957 - Results Based Financing for Low Carbon Energy Access (Africa)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Department for International Development (DFID)

**Donor Countries:** United Kingdom

**Description:**

This programme - implemented by the Energising Development (EnDev) partnership, managed by GIZ and RVO - employs a Results Based Financing (RBF) approach to overcome identified market failures that are constraining private sector investment in low carbon energy access (electricity and cooking) in developing countries. This programme targets a range of benefits, including economic growth (through the creation of enterprises and jobs for men and women), reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and improvements in health as a result of clean cooking methods (particularly for women and young children). The programme has expanded considerably in scope since its initial design, and now implements 17 projects as opposed to the 10 originally planned. This means that the portfolio of RBF approaches has the potential to gather an even broader range of lessons than had first been anticipated. Already the approach taken in this programme is influencing the wider energy access community.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Global

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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**For more information:** <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/result-based-financing-for-low-carbon-energy-access->

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## Africa Clean Energy (ACE) Programme Competitive Business Facility

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Grant Funding, Technical Assistance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Department for International Development (DFID)

**Donor Countries:** United Kingdom

**Description:**

The program will catalyze a market-based approach for private sector delivery of solar home system (SHS) products and services, leading to improved energy access for people in sub-Saharan Africa. The program will work in 14 priority countries: Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Rwanda, Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia, Somalia, Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone and Senegal. The program will support technical assistance to improve the enabling environment, and finance for businesses seeking to enter new and emerging SHS markets in sub-Saharan Africa for their start up and early commercialization of ideas.

**Locations:** Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**Eligibility:**

Enterprises that aim to sell household solar products and services to households. It does not focus on community-wide and larger mini-grids.

Technical Assistance to improve country enabling environments to facilitate markets in household solar.

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## Africa Renewable Energy Fund (AREF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** African Biofuel and Renewable Energy Company (ABREC), African Development Bank (AfDB), Dutch Development Bank (FMO), ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID), West African Development Bank (BOAD)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire, Multi-donor, Netherlands

**Description:**

Equity investments for small-to-medium renewable energy projects. The Project Support Facility provides early-stage grant funding.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sub Saharan Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

AfDB Regional Member Countries

**Eligibility:**

Must be small/medium (5-50 MW) independent power projects from solar, wind, biomass, hydro, as well as some geothermal & gas technologies

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## Africa Trade Insurance Agency

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Insurance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** African Trade Insurance Agency (ATI)

**Donor Countries:** Kenya

**Description:**

ATI provides political risk and trade credit risk insurance products with the objectives of reducing the business risk and cost of doing business in Africa.

**Locations:** Benin, Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Benin, Burundi, DRC, Ethiopia, Madagascar, Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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## Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD) Green Energy Fund

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD), Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)

**Donor Countries:** France, South Africa

**Description:**

To provide finance to renewable energy and energy efficiency projects of smaller scale and manufacturing of green products in South Africa.

**Location:** South Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

South Africa

**Eligibility:**

Solar and biomass; other technologies are considered on a case by case basis. Energy Efficiency (EE):

- A maximum of 200% increase in production capacity is allowed for expansion projects; and
- Greenfield operations are considered on a case by case basis.

AFD funds are blended at a leverage level of at most 50% funding from IDC; and no refinancing

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**For more information:** <http://www.idc.co.za/home/idc-products/special-schemes/afd-green-energy-fund.htm>

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## Call for Proposal

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**Users:** Academic Institutions, Private Sector

**Donor:** The Chief Scientist Unit at the Ministry of Energy

**Donor Countries:** Israel

**Description:**

R&D grants within academia and industry to train professional manpower and encourage advanced high-tech ventures in the energy industry.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Priority to projects with a linkage to Israel

**Eligibility:**

Criteria as defined, from time to time, in the call for proposal

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## Clean Technology Fund (CTF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**Users:** Private Sector, Public Sector

**Donors:** African Development Bank (AfDB), Asian Development Bank (ADB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire, European Union, Multi-donor

**Description:**

CTF: Highly concessional resources to scale up the demonstration, deployment, and transfer of low carbon technologies in renewable energy, energy efficiency during the project development stage.

**Locations:** Nigeria, South Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Nigeria, South Africa

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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**For more information:** <https://www.climateinvestmentfunds.org/fund/clean-technology-fund>

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## Clean Technology Initiative Private Financing Advisory Network (CTI PFAN)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** Clean Technology Initiative (CTI), Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA), Government of Australia (GoA), International Center for Environmental Technology Transfer (ICETT), International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)

**Donor Countries:** Australia, Canada, Japan, Multi-donor, Sweden, United States of America

**Description:**

CTI PFAN works as an independent and free project finance advisory service to source and prepare economically viable and environmentally beneficial clean energy and climate change projects for investment. For projects in an early stage.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Any viable clean energy or climate technology including rural electrification, access to energy, productive use and adaptation technologies. Project needs to demonstrate adequate capitalization and own resources

**Contact information:**

<http://cti-pfan.net/contact-us/>

**For more information:** <http://cti-pfan.net/>

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## Climate Investor One (CIO)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** Climate Fund Managers (CFM), Dutch Development Bank (FMO), United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor, Netherlands, United States of America

**Description:**

Climate Investor One (CIO) is a financing facility designed to support renewable projects through sequential stages of the project's life. CIO provides technical, environmental and social due diligence together with development costs support at an early stage. It then finances a large part of construction costs with equity, removing the need for debt finance during construction. Finally, once the project is operational, CIO provides long term debt to deliver stability and optimized funding during the operational stage.

**Locations:** Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, Tanzania

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Primarily low and lower-middle income countries. Initial, but not exclusive, focus on Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, Ghana, Nigeria,

**Eligibility:**

CIO will finance up to 50% of the development and 75% of the construction costs subject to a cap of USD\$5 million and USD\$75 million, respectively

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## Contractual Counter-Guarantee Program

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**Users:** Private Sector, Public Sector

**Donor:** ASHRA - The Israel Foreign Trade Risks Insurance Co. Ltd.

**Donor Countries:** Israel

**Description:**

Contractual counter-guarantee program provides Israeli exporting companies with a partial release of pledge required by Israeli banks and replacing it with an ASHRA counter-guarantee to a bank. The program is targeted to address the operating capital needs of SMEs and assists to release cash to be used in production processes for exports.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Global

**Eligibility:**

Companies engaged in exports and registered in Israel

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## Credit Guarantees

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Export-Import Bank of the United States (US EXIM)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Loan guarantees to purchase U.S. capital equipment & services for Financiers of foreign buyers.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sub Saharan Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** On-Grid

**Geography:**

EXIM Country Limitation Schedule

**Eligibility:**

Must have: been in business for one year, at least one person working in the firm full time, positive net worth; must export U.S.-made products and/or services provided by U.S. workers

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**For more information:** <http://www.exim.gov/what-we-do/loan-guarantee/credit-guarantee-facility>

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## DBSA Financial Instruments

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA)

**Donor Countries:** South Africa

**Description:**

The DBSA provides funding, related products and services for commercially viable and sustainable projects in the energy sector, which contribute to economic development and regional integration.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

DBSA Approval process

**Contact information:**

<http://www.dbsa.org/EN/About-Us/ContactUs/Pages/default.aspx>

**For more information:** <http://www.dbsa.org/EN/Pages/default.aspx>

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## DBSA Project Preparation Fund

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA)

**Donor Countries:** South Africa

**Description:**

The DBSA project preparation funds are earmarked for projects which the DBSA's financing divisions can include in their pipeline. The funds are intended to be used for the following:

- Creating an enabling environment for infrastructure projects to implemented
- Conducting pre-feasibility studies
- Conducting bankable feasibility studies
- Assistance with costs to reach financial close

These funds are provided with the view that projects prepared with these funds will be funded through DBSA's Lending divisions

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

DBSA Approval process

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## Debt Financing

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Financing products for project developers & investors for projects in countries where commercial funding cannot be obtained via conventional lenders.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

OPIC eligible countries. List can be found at: <https://www.opic.gov/doing-business-us/OPIC-policies/where-we-operate>

**Eligibility:**

Project must include the meaningful involvement of the U.S. private sector

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**For more information:** <https://www.opic.gov/what-we-offer/financial-products>

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## Department for International Development (DFID) Impact Fund

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Technical Assistance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Commonwealth Development Corporation Group (CDC), Department for International Development (DFID), European Investment Bank (EIB), Fonds Francaise pour l'Environnement Mondial (FFEM), OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID), Proparco, Schneider Electric

**Donor Countries:** European Union, France, Multi-donor, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Funding, capacity building and technical support to SMEs active in the generation and/or distribution of electricity in the region. The aim of the fund is to provide improved, reliable access to energy for one million low-income households by 2020. For off-grid rural electrification.

**Locations:** Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Will start with companies active in East Africa before expanding to other African countries. In all, the fund will target Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Ethiopia.

**Eligibility:**

The fund will mainly invest in small and medium size enterprises active in the generation and/or distribution of electricity in the region, that do not have access to financing

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**For more information:** <http://www.theimpactprogramme.org.uk/investments-dfid-impact-fund/>

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## DevCo (PIDG)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Grant Funding, Technical Assistance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), International Finance Corporation (IFC), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

**Description:**

DevCo, managed by the World Bank Group's IFC, provides critical financial support for structuring transactions to facilitate sustainable private sector participation in infrastructure in poorer developing countries. DevCo supports infrastructure transactions in the poorest countries by providing funding for expert consultants to prepare projects for private investment. DevCo funds, which are all supplied by PIDG donors, can also be used to support the marketing, planning and development of transactions as well as implementation support. DevCo can also provide partial underwriting of IFC risks associated with advisory mandates.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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**For more information:** <http://www.pidg.org/what-we-do/companies/devco>

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## Development Credit Authority (DCA)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**Users:** Financiers, Project Developers

**Donor:** United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

The Development Credit Authority (DCA) uses partial credit guarantees to mobilize local commercial debt financing in developing countries. Guarantee agreements encourage private lenders to extend financing to underserved borrowers in new sectors and regions and these lenders are more likely to continue lending even when the USAID Guarantee expires. This can be through issuing USAID guarantees for example; Loan Guarantees, Portfolio Guarantees, Portable Guarantees or Bond Guarantees.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

USAID presence countries

**Eligibility:**

Non-sovereign debt only. No US connection required

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**For more information:** <https://www.usaid.gov/what-we-do/economic-growth-and-trade/development-credit-au>

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## Development Innovation Ventures (DIV) - Temporarily Closed

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Technical Assistance

**User:** Open to All

**Donor:** United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

DIV is a Grant Competition that sources, tests, and accelerates breakthrough ideas that address global development challenges around the world. Successful enterprises receive scale up funding to further develop their ideas during Early Stage with ideas progressing to a scaled up business.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

USAID partner countries

**Eligibility:**

Applicant solutions must show cost effectiveness, rigorous evidence of success, and proposed pathways to scale

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**For more information:** <https://www.usaid.gov/div>

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## Development Policy Financing (DPF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Client Governments

**Donor:** World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Development Policy Financing provides IBRD loan, IDA credit/grant and guarantee budget support to governments or a political subdivision for a program of policy and institutional actions to help achieve sustainable, shared growth and poverty reduction.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

WB member countries

**Eligibility:**

Approved as per WB process

**For more information:** <http://www.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services#DPF>

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## Direct Loans

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Export-Import Bank of the United States (US EXIM)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Long-term fixed rate financing to purchase U.S. capital equipment & services for creditworthy international buyers in both the private and public sector.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Réunion, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sub Saharan Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Western Sahara, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

EXIM Country Limitation Schedule

**Eligibility:**

EXIM Bank finances only the U.S content. Must export U.S.-made products and/or services provided by U.S. workers

**Contact information:**

<http://www.exim.gov/contact>

**For more information:** <http://www.exim.gov/what-we-do/direct-loan>

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## EKN Export Credit, Long and Short Term Loans

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Swedish Export Credit Corporation (SEK)

**Donor Countries:** Sweden

**Description:**

Swedish export credit to buyers of Swedish capital goods and services. Commercial loans to buyers of Swedish capital goods and services. Discounting of trade receivables, often guaranteed by EKN to reduce credit risk.

**Location:** Other

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Established exporters and credit-worthy buyers who are not on the international sanctions lists, including US.

**Eligibility:**

Swedish interests must be involved. In cooperation with the bank.

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<http://www.ekn.se/en/Garantier/For-export-credits/>

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## EKN Guarantee

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Swedish Export Credit Guarantee Board (EKN)

**Donor Countries:** Sweden

**Description:**

Guarantees to the international lenders who finance the purchase of Swedish goods/services and cover for risk of non-payment due to commercial and political events and is open to foreign buyers and exporters.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Considerable involvement of Swedish companies or interests is necessary in order to secure funding

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**For more information:** <http://www.ekn.se/en/Garantier/Guarantees/>

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## ElectriFI

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** European Union (EU), United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** European Union, United States of America

**Description:**

ElectriFI was created as a financing scheme to bridge the gaps in structuring and financing, thus stimulating the private sector, and mobilizing financiers in the sector of energy development cooperation. It is a fund for renewable energy investments and energy efficiency with a focus on rural electrification. ElectriFI contribution per project is EUR 10.0 million (or equivalent local currency). Support can be made available in the forms of technical assistance, investment grants, interest rate subsidies, guarantees, debt, quasi-equity and equity. ElectriFI provides financial support primarily through risk capital. It does not provide grant funding, concessional loans or other low-cost capital.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Total budget above €0.5 million, early projects or pilot phase, own capital is expected to be in the scale of 15-50%

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## Energizing Development (EnDev)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), Department for International Development (DFID), Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DGIS), Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation (SDC)

**Donor Countries:** Australia, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Sustainable access to modern energy services that meet the needs of the poor. EnDev includes a Results-Based Financing mechanism providing incentive-based payments to stimulate off-grid energy access markets. This can include household solar. EnDev promotes sustainable access to modern energy services for households, social institutions and small to medium-sized enterprises in developing countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

**Locations:** Benin, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Benin (RBF calls to date)

**Eligibility:**

An important precondition is that structures need to be in place to secure access to energy in the long run. In this way, the partnership program seizes present potential and fosters positive outlooks. However, EnDev only intervenes if the access would not occur otherwise within the next five years.

Supported Projects:

- can prove successful strategies (performance),
- meet criteria determined by a needs assessment, and;
- match focal areas defined by financiers.

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## Energy and Environment Partnership Program of Southern and East Africa (EEP S&EA)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Austrian Development Agency (ADA), Department for International Development (DFID), Ministry of Foreign Affairs Finland

**Donor Countries:** Austria, Finland, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Focused on projects in all fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency, bridging the gap between a good idea and a bankable project by providing partial financing to project proposals. These projects include various types of feasibility studies aiming at concrete investments, as well as pilot, scale-up and demonstration projects. Open to the Private sector or Public-Private Partnerships.

**Locations:** Botswana, Burundi, Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Botswana, Burundi, Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

**Eligibility:**

Ownership (country of origin) – locally based in country of project implementation

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## Energy4Impact

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Technical Assistance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), International Finance Corporation (IFC), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), United States Agency for International Development (USAID), World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States of America

**Description:**

Various Programs to support enterprises (SME) with business support, technical support and financing.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

See <http://www.usadf.gov/apply-for-a-grant/>

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**For more information:** <http://www.usadf.gov/welcome/>

**Last updated:** February 16, 2018

## Enterprise Expansion Grants

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** United States African Development Foundation (USADF)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Seed Capital Funding for small-to-medium African energy entrepreneurs and enterprises to expand service to underserved communities.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## Equity & Private Equity Investments

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Equity

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** African Development Bank (AfDB)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire

**Description:**

Direct equity investments for private companies, project developers, investors, & private equity funds.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sub Saharan Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

AfDB Regional Member Countries

**Eligibility:**

Applications approved at the discretion of the AfDB

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**For more information:** <http://www.afdb.org/en/topics-and-sectors/sectors/private-sector/areas-of-focus/>

**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## Equity and risk capital

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Equity

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Norwegian Investment Fund for Developing Countries (NORFUND)

**Donor Countries:** Norway

**Description:**

Equity, risk capital and loans for commercial companies.

**Locations:** East Africa Region, Southern Africa Region

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Southern and Eastern Africa

**Eligibility:**

Norfund always invests jointly with partners, both Norwegian and non-Norwegian, in clean energy, financial institutions and agribusiness, in addition to small and medium sized companies through investment funds.

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## EREF ECOWAS Renewable Energy Facility

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Austrian Development Agency (ADA), ECOWAS Regional Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (ECREEE), Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** Austria, Multi-donor, Spain, United States of America

**Description:**

Grants to small/medium RE business projects (debt is planned)

Three financing windows:

- 1) Investment promotion: pre-investment activities, pro-poor demonstration
- 2) Business development: Business support partnerships
- 3) Innovative Loan Financing Instruments (planned)

**Locations:** Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Rural and peri-urban West Africa:

Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Cote d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal and Sierra Leone.

**Eligibility:**

Small/medium RE business projects (debt is planned)

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## Export credits

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Export Credit Norway

**Donor Countries:** Norway

**Description:**

Loans to purchase goods and services from Norwegian exporters.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Loans are priced on market terms and in compliance with the state subsidy rules. Comply with OECD Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits

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**For more information:** <http://www.eksportkreditt.no/en-GB/52ABOUT-EXPORT-CREDIT-NORWAY/>

**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## Facility for African Investment and Trade Enhancement (FAITH 2)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Debt Finance, Equity, Guarantees

**Users:** Private Sector, Project Developers, Public Sector

**Donor:** Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)

**Donor Countries:** Japan

**Description:**

JBIC supports the promotion of economic structural reform through economic diversification and industrialization in Africa by drawing on its financial instruments such as loans, equity participations and guarantees. The facility is not a fund or account, but a program with specific procedures for managing operations.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

SSA

**Eligibility:**

JBIC Criteria

**Contact information:**

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**For more information:** <https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/information/news/news-2016/0829-50223>

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## Facility for Energy Inclusion (FEI)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** African Development Bank (AfDB)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire

**Description:**

AfDB capital for decentralized renewables for debt, in local currency. FEI will focus on providing senior and mezzanine debt to off-grid, mini-grid and small-scale Independent Power Producers (IPP). The Fund will provide hard and local currency financing.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Projects with total costs under USD\$30 million.

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**For more information:** <http://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/article/afdb-approves-usd-50-million-equi>

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## Fixed or Floating Rate Loans

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Export-Import Bank of the United States (US EXIM)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Debt financing to purchase U.S. capital equipment & services for financiers of foreign buyers.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Réunion, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sub Saharan Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Western Sahara, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** On-Grid

**Geography:**

EXIM Country Limitation Schedule

**Eligibility:**

Must have: been in business for one year, at least one person working in the firm full time, positive net worth; must export U.S.-made products and/or services provided by U.S. workers.

**For more information:** <http://www.exim.gov/about/special-initiatives-assistance/africa-sub-saharan/what>

**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## FMO Infrastructure Development Fund/ Direct Investment

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** International Finance Corporation (IFC), Proparco

**Donor Countries:** France, Multi-donor

**Description:**

€362 million fund with target Returns: 20-25% for equity, 15-20% for debt.

The IDF financing is available for:

- Long-term financing for large infrastructure projects (loans of up to €20 million – in euros, USD or local currencies).
- Minority shares in equity investments.
- Investments in dedicated infrastructure investment funds.
- Early stage equity for new project development are also an option.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

The sectors served by the IDF are energy, transport, ports, agribusiness, water, environment and social infrastructure. The IDF is available to infrastructure projects that are positively impacting social-economic development and/or improvements in areas such as power, agribusiness, water, transport, and environment.

To be eligible, a project must meet FMO's standard criteria. Aside from financial-economic performance, projects are scrutinized in areas such as corporate governance, environmental impact and social policies to ensure the sustainability of the investment. IDF has a higher degree of risk acceptance than FMO's own funding. To assess eligibility, FMO reviews investment plans, market analyses, due diligence studies, expected returns and the commitment level of management and co-financiers.

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## Fund for African Private Sector Assistance (FAPA)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Technical Assistance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** African Development Bank (AfDB), Development Bank of Austria (OeEB), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

**Donor Countries:** Austria, Cote d'Ivoire, Japan

**Description:**

Grants/Co-financing for capacity building, advisory services, & support to MSME's. The program is open to private sector investors, concession tendering entities and project developers.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sub Saharan Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Any AfDB Regional Member Country

**Eligibility:**

AfDB Preliminary Screening Criteria

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## Geothermal Risk Mitigation Facility (GRMF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** African Union Commission (AUC), Department for International Development (DFID), EU-Africa Infrastructure Trust Fund (EU-AITF), Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), German Development Bank (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau) (KfW)

**Donor Countries:** European Union, Germany, Multi-donor, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Grant support for surface studies and drilling & testing reservoir confirmation wells. For project development activities up to updated bankable feasibility study after exploration drilling.

**Locations:** Burundi, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

**On- or Off-Grid:** On-Grid

**Geography:**

Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Burundi, Comoros, Djibouti, DRC, Eritrea, Zambia

**Eligibility:**

Qualification phase

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## GIEK Guarantee

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Norwegian Export Credit Guarantee Agency (GIEK)

**Donor Countries:** Norway

**Description:**

Issues guarantees - political and commercial risks - on behalf of the Norwegian state.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Support is open to Norwegian exporters and foreign buyers of Norwegian equipment and services. Organized and managed in accordance with the OECD Export Credits Arrangement.

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## Global Environment Facility Small Grants Programme

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Global Environment Facility (GEF)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

The programme provides grants of up to \$50,000 directly to local communities including indigenous people, community-based organizations and other non-governmental groups for projects in Biodiversity, Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation, Land Degradation and Sustainable Forest Management, International Waters and Chemicals.

**Locations:** Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

[https://sgp.undp.org/index.php?option=com\\_countrypages&view=countrypages...](https://sgp.undp.org/index.php?option=com_countrypages&view=countrypages...)

**Eligibility:**

Non-governmental Organizations and Community Development Organizations in Small Grants Programme participating countries.

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## Global Partnership on Output-based Aid (GPOBA)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**Users:** Private Sector, Public Sector

**Donors:** Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), Department for International Development (DFID), Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DGIS), International Finance Corporation (IFC), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Australia, Multi-donor, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom

**Description:**

The Global Partnership on Output Based Aid (GPOBA). This trust fund is a form of results based financing (in the form of grants) made against the achievement of predetermined outputs. It provides grants for the development and implementation of projects adopting results-based and output-based aid approaches (for technical assistance, knowledge dissemination and subsidies for project implementation). GPOBA has a diverse global portfolio of projects across seven sectors.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Any member country of the World Bank Group in accordance with donor specifications (Recipients of official developmental assistance as defined by the OECD). Focus on SSA, South and East Asia, Pacific Islands.

**Eligibility:**

Approved as per WB process, with prior endorsement of the GPOBA Panel of Experts

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## Grand Challenges Israel

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**Users:** Other Stakeholders, Private Sector

**Donor:** Israel Innovation Authority

**Donor Countries:** Israel

**Description:**

Support for Israeli R&D projects targeted at developing markets in the areas of health, water, agriculture and possible additional fields, e.g. energy. Annual competitive process offering conditional loans of up to 90% funding for R&D projects.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Global

**Eligibility:**

Criteria as defined, from time to time, in the call for proposal

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**For more information:** <https://innovationisrael.org.il/program/2854>

**Last updated:** March 15, 2018

## Grants

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Donor Countries:** Norway

**Description:**

Early-stage grant funding for renewable energy projects in the public sector.

**Locations:** Angola, Ethiopia, Liberia, Mozambique, Tanzania, Uganda

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Priority countries, currently: Mozambique, Angola, Liberia, Tanzania, Uganda, Ethiopia

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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## Green Africa Power (PIDG)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Mezzanine

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS), Department for International Development (DFID), Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Donor Countries:** Norway, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Stimulate private sector investment in renewable energy in sub-Saharan Africa. Acting as a long-term source of financing and policy support to projects.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

DAC 1, 2 or 3 countries (OECD)

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## Green Minigrids Support Facility

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD), Department for International Development (DFID)

**Donor Countries:** France, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Aims to help transform the GMGs sector in Africa by enabling a critical mass of experience and evidence of success in the two leading countries of Kenya and Tanzania, coupled with improved policy and market conditions for mini-grids regionally

**Locations:** Kenya, Tanzania

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Kenya, Tanzania

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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## GuarantCo (PIDG)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), Dutch Development Bank (FMO), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)

**Donor Countries:** Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

**Description:**

GuarantCo provides guarantees to lenders to support local currency finance for infrastructure projects in low-income countries, promoting domestic infrastructure financing and capital market development for private sector, project sponsors, developers, lenders.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

DAC 1, 2 or 3 countries

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## ICF-DP

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** German Development Bank (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau) (KfW), Private Investment Development Group (PIDG)

**Donor Countries:** Germany, Multi-donor

**Description:**

Provides direct finance to infrastructure projects in emerging economies. The Fund is available to all private infrastructure projects originated by International Financial Institutions.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

The Fund is available to all (non-distressed) infrastructure projects originated by International Finance Institutions that cannot obtain commercial financing or re-finance existing loans as a consequence of the global financial crisis and the tightening of bank lending

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## IDA Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Covers private lenders, or investors through shareholder loans, against the risk of a government (or government-owned entity) failing to perform its contractual obligations with respect to a private project. Specifically, PRGs can cover currency inconvertibility/non-transferability; political force majeure risks such as expropriation; war and civil disturbance; material adverse government action; government's contractual payment obligations; regulatory risk; change of law and regulations; negation or cancellation of license and approval; non-allowance for agreed tariff adjustment formula or regime; contractual performance of offtake agreements or input supply agreements, frustration of arbitration; and certain force majeure events

**Locations:** Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

World Bank IDA borrowing countries

**Eligibility:**

Projects with private participation dependent on certain government contractual undertaking, such as: Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) and concession projects; Public-Private Partnership (PPP) projects; privatizations. Can be either greenfield or existing projects. Requires World Bank due diligence and approval by the Board.

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018

## IDC Financial Instruments

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)

**Donor Countries:** South Africa

**Description:**

National development finance institution set up to promote economic growth and industrial development and offering funding for short term, medium term and long-term loans for South African companies and the rest of the continent.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

South Africa, and the rest of SSA

**Eligibility:**

Security, the form and nature of which will relate to a project's specific circumstances;  
Compliance with international environmental standards; Shareholders are expected to make some financial contribution: the contribution of historically disadvantaged people under special circumstances may be lowered, in which case the IDC will be prepared to extend finance in excess of the owner's contribution to the project must exhibit economic merit in terms of profitability and sustainability. The IDC does not refinance fixed assets, since our aim is to expand the industrial base.

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**Last updated:** February 17, 2018



## IFC Global Infrastructure Project Development Fund

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Equity

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** International Finance Corporation (IFC), World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Helps develop public-private partnerships and private projects for infrastructure in developing countries . It provides early-stage risk capital and actively participates in the project development phase to create private infrastructure projects that are commercially viable and able to more rapidly achieve financing close. The IFC serves as a co-developer and provides expertise in critical areas, while partially funding the project's development. For Private project developers. Fund can provide up to \$8 million in early stage for project expenses (Feasibility Studies, Environmental Studies, Financial Models, Negotiating terms etc.) Mainly for grid scale utility-size projects.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Project must be a PPP. Must be early stage. Generally for projects > \$200 million

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**For more information:** <https://www.ifcamc.org/funds/ifc-global-infrastructure-fund>

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## IFC Infrastructure Department - Power Group

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Debt Finance, Equity, Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** International Finance Corporation (IFC)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Finances electricity generation, transmission, and distribution upgrades in developing countries, with a particular focus on natural gas and renewable energy such as solar, wind, and hydropower. Can finance projects at an early stage, lead investment rounds, mobilize additional funding through syndication programs, and work with the World Bank on an integrated series of reforms and guarantees to support a transaction.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Developing countries that are a member of IFC, and regional programs.

**Eligibility:**

Project must have good prospects of being profitable, benefit the local economy, and meet IFC's Performance Standards. Requires detailed appraisal, and review and approval by IFC Board. IFC does not lend directly to SME's or individuals.

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## IFC InfraVentures

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Early Stage Risk Capital, Project Development Support

**Users:** Private Sector, Public Sector

**Donor:** International Finance Corporation (IFC)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Funds up to \$8 million of a project's expenses at an early stage of development, to bring it from an idea to financial close. Funded activities can include: feasibility studies, Environmental & Social studies, managing stakeholder relationships, financial modeling, negotiating financing and legal documents, selecting project participants, and sourcing equity and debt financing. Not grant funding, and may include follow-on investments.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** On-Grid

**Geography:**

Developing countries that are a member of IFC, and regional programs.

**Eligibility:**

Sponsor has secured preliminary support and authorization for the project from the government or other clients, and has conducted assessments showing that the project is economically viable.

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## IFC Sub-National Finance

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Debt Finance, Guarantees

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** International Finance Corporation (IFC)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Offers local governments and creditworthy State-Owned Enterprises the opportunity to finance public infrastructure projects without sovereign guarantees. Also helps mobilize domestic resources, by e.g. using partial guarantee instruments. Primarily water and waste water, but also includes power, district heating, and gas transmission and distribution.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Developing countries that are a member of IFC, and regional programs.

**Eligibility:**

Creditworthy municipal and regional governments, and their service entities; selected nationally-owned infrastructure enterprises; banks and financial institutions that finance subnational infrastructure; PPPs that provide subnational infrastructure.

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Global Head of Sub-National Finance

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## IFC-Canada Climate Change Program

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Guarantees

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Government of Canada (GoC), International Finance Corporation (IFC)

**Donor Countries:** Canada, Multi-donor

**Description:**

The objective of the Program is to address market barriers that prevent the faster, more widespread or longer-term sustainable adoption of low-carbon technologies and business models designed to address climate change. These include, for example, the lack of financing for clean energy projects due to financial intermediaries' lack of expertise and perceptions of high risk; the limited capacity, experience, and information available to companies that seek to develop clean energy projects; and the lack of a supportive enabling environment.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Projects funded by the Program Countries that are eligible for Overseas Development Assistance (ODA) and are also Non-Annex I Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

**Eligibility:**

Eligible investments and advisory services activities support the abatement of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and climate adaptation opportunities, such as those related to (i) low carbon actions in the power sector, including renewable energy and increased efficiency in generation, transmission, and distribution; (ii) large-scale adoption of energy efficient technologies and other demand management techniques in industrial sectors, as well as commercial and residential buildings; (iii) sustainable agriculture, forestry, and land use; and (iv) reductions in the vulnerability of human or natural systems to actual or expected climate change impacts and risks by maintaining or increasing adaptive capacity and resilience.

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## Incentive program for adapting products for emerging markets

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Israel Innovation Authority

**Donor Countries:** Israel

**Description:**

Funding R&D activities that identify how to adapt products for emerging markets.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Africa, China, India, Latin America

**Eligibility:**

Criteria as defined, from time to time, in the call for proposal

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## InfraCo Africa

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** Austrian Development Agency (ADA), Department for International Development (DFID), Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DGIS), Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)

**Donor Countries:** Austria, Netherlands, Switzerland, United Kingdom

**Description:**

InfraCo Africa is an infrastructure development facility, which has been designed to assume the risks and costs of early-stage project development in lower income countries in Africa. For Host governments and the private sector.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

We prioritize Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Other Low Income Countries (OLICs) and fragile or conflict-affected states

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## Insurance Policies

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Insurance

**Users:** Private Sector, Public Sector

**Donor:** ASHRA - The Israel Foreign Trade Risks Insurance Co. Ltd.

**Donor Countries:** Israel

**Description:**

Insurance policies covering political and commercial risk of non-payment and investment risk, enabling Israeli exporters to mitigate risks and raise financing from banks.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Developing countries

**Eligibility:**

Companies engaged in exports and registered in Israel

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## Investment Project Finance (IPF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Investment Project Financing provides IBRD loan, IDA credit/grant and guarantee financing to governments for activities that create the physical/social infrastructure that will reduce poverty and create sustainable development.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

WB member countries

**Eligibility:**

Approved as per WB process

**Contact information:**

Both

**For more information:** <http://www.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services>

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## JBIC Financial Instruments

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Categories:** Debt Finance, Equity, Guarantees

**Users:** Private Sector, Project Developers, Public Sector

**Donor:** Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)

**Donor Countries:** Japan

**Description:**

JBIC is a policy-based financial institution of Japan, and conducts lending operations. The bank is mandated with providing non-ODA finance.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

JBIC Criteria

**Contact information:**

<https://www.jbic.go.jp/en/feedback>

**For more information:** <http://www.jbic.go.jp/en/finance>

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## JICA Official Development Assistance (ODA) Grants

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

**Donor Countries:** Japan

**Description:**

ODA Grants are the provisions of funds to developing countries that have low income levels, without the obligation of repayment. ODA Grants are used for developing power infrastructure.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

JICA Criteria

**For more information:** [https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our\\_work/types\\_of\\_assistance/grant\\_aid/index.html](https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/types_of_assistance/grant_aid/index.html)

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## JICA Official Development Assistance (ODA) Loans

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

**Donor Countries:** Japan

**Description:**

ODA loans support developing countries by providing low-interest, long-term and concessional funds to finance their development efforts.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

JICA Criteria

**For more information:** [https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our\\_work/types\\_of\\_assistance/index.html](https://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/types_of_assistance/index.html)

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## KawiSafi Ventures Fund by GCF

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Acumen Fund Inc., Green Climate Fund (GCF)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor, United States of America

**Description:**

GCF anchor investment of \$20 million equity + \$5 million grant; fund is targeting 10-15 investments, focused in East Africa initially - in parallel raising \$10 million Technical Assistance Facility.

**Locations:** East Africa Region, Kenya, Rwanda

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Kenya, Rwanda, with possible further expansion into East Africa

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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**For more information:** <http://www.greenclimate.fund/-/kawisawi-ventures-fund-in-east-africa>

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## MCC Grants

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** Millenium Challenge Corporation (MCC)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Grant funding of approximately \$1.5 billion to support Power Africa through compacts and threshold programs that improve the quality and reliability of electricity and promote climate-smart measures, such as energy efficiency and renewable energy. MCC is also assisting governments in the preparation of potential projects while also helping to establish regulatory and institutional structures needed to promote private investment, early stage support as well as general Host Government/Sector support as well as private sector support.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

4-Stage Selection Process (a Threshold Program is also available for selected countries that do not qualify for the Compact)

**Contact information:**

<https://www.mcc.gov/contact-us>

**For more information:** <https://www.mcc.gov/>

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## NEPAD Infrastructure Project Preparation Facility (IPPF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Public Sector

**Donors:** African Development Bank (AfDB), New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire, Multi-donor

**Description:**

Multi-donor trust fund managed by the AfDB on behalf of NEPAD and supports the development of regional and continental infrastructure with grants to prepare high-quality viable trans-boundary projects in energy. Support is in the form of grants for studies and preparatory activities. Projects can include Generation, Transmission, Distribution Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** On-Grid

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

The applicant must be a Regional Economic Community (REC), a Specialized Regional Infrastructure Development Institution (SRIDI) or a Regional Member Country (RMC) to be eligible for a NEPAD-IPPF Special Fund grant. Regional infrastructure projects proposed by private sector organizations, adopted, supported and owned by RECs, SRIDIs or RMCs are also eligible for Fund support, provided that the request is submitted by the latter.

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**For more information:** <http://www.nepad-ippf.org/>

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## Norad Private Sector Development Scheme

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD)

**Donor Countries:** Norway

**Description:**

Grant funding for feasibility studies, training related to establishment of Environmental Health and Safety and pilot production.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Projects in least developed countries, countries in sub-Saharan Africa and in long-term cooperation countries for Norwegian Official Development Assistance.

**Eligibility:**

Prioritized Sectors - Energy At least NOK 10 million in turnover for the last year. Ownership of at least 25% in the established/ planned company

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## Off-Grid Energy Challenge

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** General Electric (GE), United States African Development Foundation (USADF), United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Provides grants of up to \$100,000 each to African-owned and operated enterprises, associations, or organizations providing off-grid solutions that deploy renewable resources and power local economic activities. For development stage, scale-up stage or to extend use of current product.

**Location:** Other

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Select Sub Saharan Africa countries

**Eligibility:**

Applicants must provide off-grid solutions that deploy renewable resources and power local economic activities

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**For more information:** <http://www.usadf.gov/power-africa/>

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## PIDG

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Equity

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), German Development Bank (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau) (KfW), International Finance Corporation (IFC), Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida)

**Donor Countries:** Germany, Multi-donor, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Through a group of subsidiary companies, PIDG offers specialized financing and project development expertise. Each company can customize the right solution for each set of circumstances. Together, these companies are designed to get infrastructure initiatives off the ground in countries which find investment hard to attract.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Lower income countries of the Development Assistance Committee's List of Overseas Development Aid recipients

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**For more information:** <http://www.pidg.org/>

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## Pilot projects

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Technical Assistance

**Users:** Private Sector, Project Developers, Public Sector, U.S. Companies

**Donor:** United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Grants to support the piloting of U.S. technology solutions in SSA markets. USTDA partners with U.S. companies to co-fund the piloting of U.S. solutions to prove out these solutions in other markets. USTDA funding cover services and analytics, not equipment.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Low- and middle-income countries, with priority given to select countries in each region.

**Eligibility:**

Technology/solution must be U.S. made and the project must represent an opportunity many times greater than the initial investment of USDTA assistance. The project must be likely to receive implementation financing, once the solution is proven.

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## Political Risk Insurance

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Insurance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Provides innovative, comprehensive, and cost-effective risk-mitigation products to cover losses to tangible assets, investment value, and earnings that result from political risks.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

OPIC eligible countries. List can be found at: <https://www.opic.gov/doing-business-us/OPIC-policies/where-we-operate>

**Eligibility:**

Political risk insurance is available to U.S. investors, lenders, contractors, exporters, and NGOs. Reinsurance is available for U.S. and International insurance companies and multilateral insurers.

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## Power Africa: Beyond the Grid Fund

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)

**Donor Countries:** Sweden, United States of America

**Description:**

United States Trade and Development Agency (USAID) and SIDA with USD\$1 million - USD\$5 million Fund aims to bring modern clean energy access to one million Zambians and jump-start the country's burgeoning markets for energy services. The Fund will directly support private enterprises in the off-grid energy space through an innovative new results-based financing approach. Fund for Private enterprises in the off-grid energy space.

**Location:** Zambia

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Zambia

**Eligibility:**

Private enterprises in the off-grid energy space.

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## Powering Agriculture: An Energy Grand Challenge (PAEGC)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** Duke Energy, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)

**Donor Countries:** Germany, Sweden, United States of America

**Description:**

Powering Agriculture: An Energy Grand Challenge for Development supports the development and deployment of clean energy innovations that increase agriculture productivity and stimulate low carbon economic growth in the agriculture sector of developing countries to help end extreme poverty and extreme hunger.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Subject to PAEGC screening and eligibility criteria. See website to determine when applications are being accepted

**Contact information:**

<https://poweringag.org/contact>

**For more information:** <https://poweringag.org/contact>

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## Private Equity

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

OPIC provides support for the creation of privately-owned and managed investment funds. OPIC-supported funds help emerging economies access long-term growth capital, management skills, and financial expertise.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

OPIC eligible countries. List can be found at: <https://www.opic.gov/doing-business-us/OPIC-policies/where-we-operate>

**Eligibility:**

OPIC requires either that the fund manager or general partner be majority-owned by U.S. persons, or a percentage of the limited partner capital (typically, an amount equal to 25% of the OPIC financing) be provided by U.S. investors

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**For more information:** <https://www.opic.gov/what-we-offer/financial-products>

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## Program-for-Results (P4R)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor

**Description:**

Program-for-Results links disbursement of funds directly to the delivery of defined results, helping countries improve the design and implementation of their own development programs and achieve lasting results by strengthening institutions and building capacity.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

WB member countries

**Eligibility:**

Approved as per WB process

**For more information:** <http://www.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services>

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## Project Assistance

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Public Sector

**Donor:** French Treasury

**Donor Countries:** France

**Description:**

Grants, Concessional and Non Concessional Loans, State to State Loans

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Compliance with the OECD Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits rules

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## Proparco Financial Instruments

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donor:** Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD)

**Donor Countries:** France

**Description:**

Proparco is a Development Financial Institution partly owned by Agence Française de Développement (AFD) and private stakeholders and provides debt, equity and guarantees for business and projects.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Subject to Proparco Investment Conditions and Procedures

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## **REACT Solar (potential) Window of the Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF)**

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund (AECF), Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP), Danish International Development Cooperation (DANIDA), Department for International Development (DFID), Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DGIS), Government of Australia (GoA), Government of Canada (GoC), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida)

**Donor Countries:** Australia, Canada, Denmark, Multi-donor, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Fund under development and will become operational late 2016. A potential new REACT round focused on household solar. "Pioneer" grants and possibly interest-free loans. A program of AGRA: KPMG fund manager to April 2017 A new AECF entity under AGRA to manage AECF early 2017.

**Locations:** Malawi, Sierra Leone, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and possibly Sierra Leone

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

**For more information:** <http://www.aecfafrica.org/competitions/react-window>

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## Renewable Energy Microfinance & Microenterprise Program (REMMP)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**Users:** Other Stakeholders, Project Developers, Public Sector

**Donor:** United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Program focuses on household & community-scale renewable technologies such as solar home systems, fuel-efficient cook stoves & micro-grids.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Anywhere USAID has a presence

**Eligibility:**

Available for buy-in by USAID operating units

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**For more information:** <http://arcfinance.org/projects/remmp/>

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## Renewable Energy Performance Platform (REPP)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** African Trade Insurance Agency (ATI), European Investment Bank (EIB), Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), UK Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

**Donor Countries:** European Union, Kenya, United Kingdom, United States of America

**Description:**

REPP works to bridge the gap between the Levelized Cost of Electricity (LCOE) and the prevailing tariff in each country, by tailoring a range of services to each project. These services include providing technical assistance to projects, facilitating access to existing risk mitigation instruments and long-term lending from REPP partners as well as providing results-based finance, for example, in the form of top-ups to existing tariffs, where appropriate.

**Locations:** Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Togo, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cote D'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Kenya, Ghana, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Senegal, Togo, Tanzania, Zimbabwe

**Eligibility:**

Private Sector Small - Medium scale RE Projects up to 25MW

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## ResponsAbility

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** International Finance Corporation (IFC), ResponsAbility, Shell Foundation

**Donor Countries:** Multi-donor, Multinational, United Kingdom

### Description:

The company supplies debt/equity financing to non-listed firms in developing countries. Through their activities, these firms help to meet the basic needs of broad sections of the population and to drive economic development – leading to greater prosperity in the long term. Late development stage (i.e. major contracts should be signed or close to signing).

Focus on renewable energy sources: ResponsAbility can provide equity or debt financing to private companies that are active in the field of renewable energy generation – whether the power they produce is fed into the grid or used for captive consumption.

Investing in innovative business models: Financing is also available to companies that produce or distribute renewable energy products to domestic users, as well as to other companies with innovative business models along the value chain. Suppliers of energy-efficient appliances, as well as renewable energy mini-grids, may also qualify for investment.

Addressing the efficient use of energy: Increasing the efficiency of energy consumption can help to mitigate growth-related increases in energy demand. ResponsAbility works through dedicated financing for the financial sector used to fund energy efficiency projects. ResponsAbility may also finance such projects directly (e.g. ESCO financing).

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

### Geography:

Unknown

### Eligibility:

- The project must have reached a late development stage, i.e. major contracts should be signed or close to signing (e.g. PPA, EPC, and O&M)
- Equity sponsors should be identified and ready to invest or have already invested
- The project must classify as a Category B or Category C project under the IFC Performance Standards
- ResponsAbility does not compete with the local financial sector, i.e. projects must have a financing gap that cannot be filled locally
- ResponsAbility does not offer refinancing of already completed projects

The fund is complemented by a Technical Assistance Facility, which is supported by SECO.

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## Scaling-Up Renewable Energy Program (SREP)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**Users:** Private Sector, Public Sector

**Donors:** African Development Bank (AfDB), World Bank (WB)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire, Multi-donor

**Description:**

SREP financing supports scaled-up deployment of renewable energy solutions to increase energy access and economic opportunities. Concessional financing has been set aside to be awarded on a competitive basis for private sector projects advancing the goals of the SREP.

**Locations:** Benin, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Benin, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

**Eligibility:**

Not Specified

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## Seed Capital Assistance Facility Phase 2 (SCAF II)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Equity

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

**Donor Countries:** Germany, United Kingdom, United States of America

**Description:**

SCAF co-finances – with private equity and venture capital fund managers, and project development companies – the development of new investment vehicles and, once operational, the origination, development and seed financing of early-stage, low-carbon projects.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

Eligible partners include low-carbon focused private equity and venture capital funds, as well as certain types of project development companies

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## Senior and Subordinated Loans

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** African Development Bank (AfDB)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire

**Description:**

Loans to cover up to 1/3 of total project costs for project developers, investors, or public sector tenders.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** On-Grid

**Geography:**

AfDB Regional Member Countries

**Eligibility:**

Applications approved at the discretion of the AfDB

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## Short-Term Insurance of Foreign Receivables

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Insurance

**User:** U.S. Companies

**Donor:** Export-Import Bank of the United States (US EXIM)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Export credit insurance to cover commercial & certain political risks for U.S. Exporters.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Réunion, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Western Sahara, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

EXIM Country Limitation Schedule

**Eligibility:**

Must have: been in business for one year, at least one person working in the firm full time, positive net worth; must export U.S.-made products and/or services provided by U.S. workers

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<http://www.exim.gov/contact>

**For more information:** <http://www.exim.gov/what-we-do/export-credit-insurance>

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## Sustainable Energy Fund for Africa (SEFA)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**User:** Project Developers

**Donors:** African Development Bank (AfDB), Danish International Development Cooperation (DANIDA), Department for International Development (DFID), United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Donor Countries:** Cote d'Ivoire, Denmark, United Kingdom, United States of America

**Description:**

Project preparation grants, equity investments and enabling environment grants for small-to-medium scale renewable energy & energy efficiency projects for project developers and Investors. SEFA can support the full range of project preparation activities, from early-stage pre-feasibility studies and PPP preparation up to assistance in achieving financial close.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

AfDB Regional Member Countries

**Eligibility:**

Project undertaken in the Bank's Regional Member Countries. Proposed project's sponsor is a privately-owned or is a PPP. Proposed project, once fully prepared, will have total capital needs between USD\$30-75 million

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## Sustainable Use of Natural Resources and Energy Finance (SUNREF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD), European Union (EU)

**Donor Countries:** European Union, France

**Description:**

SUNREF provides an affordable line of credit together with project development technical assistance to help develop energy investments. Phase 2, SUNREF, comprises Technical Assistance (TA) and credit facilities to provide banks with the necessary long-term financing to overcome financial barriers met by project sponsors. This is open to companies needing to gain easier access to green finance and banks seeking to develop their green finance portfolios.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

SUNREF Evaluation

**For more information:** <https://www.sunref.org/en/>

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## The Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund. (AECF)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP), Danish International Development Cooperation (DANIDA), Department for International Development (DFID), Government of Canada (GoC), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida)

**Donor Countries:** Canada, Denmark, Multi-donor, Sweden, United Kingdom

**Description:**

Provides grants and interest free loans to entrepreneurs, start-ups and businesses who wish to implement innovative, commercially viable, high impact projects in Africa. The AECF supports businesses working in agriculture, financial services, renewable energy.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

AECF uses a Challenge Fund model where funding is awarded through Competitions. Only private sector companies are eligible to submit their innovative business ideas, and have to comply with the eligibility and selection criteria of each competition

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## The Africa Enterprise Challenge Fund. (AECF) - Renewable Energy and Adaptation to Climate Technologies (REACT) window

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP), Danish International Development Cooperation (DANIDA), Department for International Development (DFID), Government of Canada (GoC), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida)

**Donor Countries:** Canada, Denmark, Multi-donor, Sweden, United Kingdom

**Description:**

To stimulate private sector investment in developing low cost, clean energy and climate change technologies and services, such as solar power, biomass energy, irrigation and crop insurance products for small holder farmers. Every business supported by REACT must demonstrate a positive impact on the rural poor through increased incomes, employment and productivity or by reducing costs.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa

**Eligibility:**

AECF uses a Challenge Fund model where funding is awarded through Competitions. Only private sector companies are eligible to submit their innovative business ideas, and have to comply with the eligibility and selection criteria of each competition

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## The Demo Environment Programme

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**User:** Project Developers

**Donor:** Swedish Agency for Economic and Regional Growth

**Donor Countries:** Sweden

**Description:**

Local actors receive financing to help them import technologies which offer solutions to local environmental challenges. Open to purchasers of environmental engineering in any of the partner countries and contractors/organizations with new environmental technology interested in partnerships in one of the partner countries. Environmental technologies must be adapted to local conditions.

**Locations:** Kenya, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

The program will be implemented in 11 of Sida's cooperation countries, of which the following in Africa: Kenya, Mozambique, Tanzania, and Zambia.

**Eligibility:**

Swedish companies that want to apply must have an established partnership with a company/organization in the selected country. The technology must help solve an environmental problem, being new to the country and adapted to local conditions/appropriate.

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## The Emerging Africa Infrastructure Fund

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DGIS), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)

**Donor Countries:** Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

**Description:**

EAIF provides long-term debt finance on commercial terms to finance the construction and development of private infrastructure.

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Réunion, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sub Saharan Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

**On- or Off-Grid:** Not Specified

**Geography:**

Sub Saharan Africa (except Mauritius)

**Eligibility:**

Project promoters can be wholly owned in Africa, joint ventures with other African or non-African businesses, or international businesses expanding in Africa or entering African markets for the first time.

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## Transforming Energy Access (TEA)

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Technical Assistance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Department for International Development (DFID), Shell Foundation

**Donor Countries:** Multinational, United Kingdom

**Description:**

To support early-stage testing and scale up of innovative technologies and business models that will accelerate access to affordable, clean energy services for poor households and enterprises, especially in Africa.

**Location:** Other

**On- or Off-Grid:** Off-Grid

**Geography:**

Unknown

**Eligibility:**

UK enterprises

Local SMEs

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## Universal Green Energy Access Program (UGEAP) by GCF

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Debt Finance

**User:** Private Sector

**Donors:** Deutsche Bank, Green Climate Fund (GCF)

**Donor Countries:** Germany, Multi-donor

**Description:**

Blended finance model, leveraging private capital and building capacity for lending to green ESCOs among local FIs in 8 SSA countries. The user would be local financial institutions lending to green energy supply companies.

**Locations:** Benin, Kenya, Namibia, Nigeria, Tanzania

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Phase 1: Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Namibia, Zambia.

Phase 2: Any country active in sub-Saharan Africa.

**Eligibility:**

First call for proposals closed May 2016

- second call for proposals - 4th quarter of 2016

Lend 5-10 year senior USD debt:

— Through local FIs to deliver capital to local energy supply companies in local currency; or

— Directly as syndicated project finance loans in parallel to local & regional (development) banks (no FX exposure envisaged).

**For more information:** <http://www.greenclimate.fund/-/universal-green-energy-access-programme>

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## US Africa Clean Energy Finance (US-ACEF) Initiative

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Project Preparation

**Users:** Project Developers, U.S. Companies

**Donors:** United States Department of State (DOS), United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Early-stage support (project preparation stage up to bankability) for project development activities including engineering, environmental, legal and consulting costs

**Locations:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

US-ACEF eligible countries, of which there are 42 in Africa. See list:

<https://www.ustda.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/program/initiatives/CleanE...>

**Eligibility:**

Must qualify as a "Clean Energy Investment" and meet specific USTDA criteria, as well as reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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**For more information:** <https://www.ustda.gov/program/us-africa-clean-energy-finance-us-acef-initiative>

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## USTDA Grants

**Category:** Finance

**Sub-Category:** Grant Funding

**Users:** Project Developers, U.S. Companies

**Donor:** United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)

**Donor Countries:** United States of America

**Description:**

Grant support open to project developers and host governments for feasibility studies, technical assistance, pilot projects & other project planning activities. Support for project right up to project implementation.

**Location:** Sub Saharan Africa

**On- or Off-Grid:** Both

**Geography:**

Low- and middle-income countries, with priority given to select countries in each region.

**Eligibility:**

Grant recipients must be host country entities and are required to select U.S. firms to perform USTDA-funded activities. Project must: (1) be likely to receive implementation financing, and in addition, have a procurement process that provides "equal access" to U.S. firms; (2) represent an opportunity for sales of U.S. goods and services that is many times greater than the initial investment of USTDA assistance; (3) be a development priority of the project sponsor and country where the project is located and have the endorsement of the U.S. Embassy in that nation. It may also involve U.S. companies that are facing market entry problems and/or strong competition from foreign companies which often receive subsidies and other support from their governments.

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